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**REQUEST FOR STATUS INQUIRY OF PENDING PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicants hereby inquire as to the status of the above-identified patent application that was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 20, 2003. To date, Applicant has not received an Office Action. Please advise.

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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. Status Inquiry; and
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The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference 17031/2022. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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